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# INTERROGATION OF General Hiroshi OSHI'A

Date and Time: 1 February 1946, 1000-1215 hours 1330-1610 hours

Place

Sugamo Prison, Tokyo, Japan

Present

General Hiroshi OSHI'A
G. Osmond Hyde, Interrogator
Capt. J. J. Robinson, U.S.N.R., Interrogator
Lt. Comdr. F. B. Huggins, U.S.N.R., Interpreter
Miss Lucille C. Brunner, Stenographer.

Questions by : Mr. Hyde and Captain Robinson.

## OATH OF INTERPRETER

'r. Hyde:

"Do you solemnly swear, by Almighty God, that you will truly and accurately interpret and translate from English into Japanese and from Japanese into English, as may be required of you, in this proceeding."

Lt. Comdr. Huggins:

"I do."

2. Continue with your recital of events.

A. In regard to this pact, before I left Japan to come to Germany, I had been told by the General Staff to keep my eye out on how German-Soviet relations were and to try and discover what might happen as far as Germany was concerned in the case of a war with U. S. S. R. (P. 20 of Interrogation, Rec. 34,073.)

Q. While you were conducting these negotiations you have so fully explained to us, were you then contemplating that there would be two treaties instead of just one?

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A: Prior to December 1945, and the arrival of Lt. Coi.
WAKA! ATSU in Berlin the only treaty which had been contemplated
was the aforementioned one where the two nations would agree not
to "entlaften" the U.S.S.E. in case of the war. The Germans,
however, said that this would be a very weak treaty and, therefore, suggested the Anti-Comintern Pact and that was the first
time that the matter came up. (P. 25 of Inter., Rec. 34,079.)

#### CERTIFICATE OF INTERPRETER

I, Lt. Comdr. F. B. Huggins, Serial No. 167619, being sworn on oath, state that I truly translated the questions and answers given from English to Japanese and from Japanese to English respectively, and that the above transcription of such questions and answers, consisting of 26 pages, are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(s) F. B. Huggins

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of February 1946.

G. Osmond Hyde (s)
Duly Detailed Investigating Officer
International Prosecution Section, GHQ, SCAP

#### CERTIFIC TE OF STENOGRAPHER

I, Lucille C. Brunner, hereby certify that I acted as stenographer at the interrogations set out above, and that I transcribed the foregoing questions and answers, and that the transcription is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(s) Lucille C. Brunner

## CERTIFICATE OF INTERFOGATORS

We, G. Osmond Hyde and Captain J. J. Robinson, U.S.N.P., Serial No. 52853, certify that on the 1st day of February, 1945, personally appeared before us OSHFA, Hiroshi, and according to Lt.Comdr. F. B. Huggins, Interpreter, gave the foregoing answers to the several questions set forth therein.

Tokyo, Japan (s) G. Osmond Hyde

Feb. 14, 1946 (s) J. J. Robinson

Capt. USNR

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# CERTIFICATE

I, Yale Maxon, hereby certify

- l. That I am Chief of Document Division of the International Prosecution Section, GHQ, SCAP, and as such have possession, custody and control of originals or copies of all documents obtained by the said section.
- 2. That IPS Document 3355-A attached hereto is an excerpt from the original transcript of the interrogation of Hiroshi OSHIMA, taken in Sugamo Prison on 1 February 1946, and is a true and correct copy therefrom.
- 3. That the said original transcript has been in the custody of the Document Division of the International Prosecution Section continuously since that time.

/s/ Yale Maxon
YALE MAXON

Dated: 12 January 1948